UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT SEATTLE

FENG-CHI SHIH-SPRING,

CASE NO. C18-0749-JCC

Plaintiff,

v.

MINUTE ORDER

IDS PROPERTY CASUALTY INSURANCE COMPANY,

Defendant.

The following Minute Order is made by direction of the Court, the Honorable John C. Coughenour, United States District Judge:

This matter comes before the Court on the telephonic status conference held on April 18, 2019. Having heard argument from the parties and considered the relevant record (Dkt. Nos. 17, 24, 33–52) the Court ORDERS as follows:

The parties' joint submission filed pursuant to Local Civil Rule 37 (Dkt. No. 24) is GRANTED in favor of Plaintiff. Plaintiff retained Dr. Arntz in reasonable anticipation of litigation and designated him as an expert witness pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26(a)(2). Therefore, Defendant may not discover Dr. Arntz's draft reports or his communications with Plaintiff's attorneys made prior to litigation. *See* Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(b)(4)(B)–(C).

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Procedure 56(d) is GRANTED. (See Dkt. Nos. 39, 40.) Plaintiff shall file a brief
in support of a Rule 56(d) continuance no later than Tuesday, April 23, 2019.
Defendant shall file a brief in opposition no later than Friday, April 26, 2019.
The parties' briefs shall not exceed five (5) pages. The parties may support their
briefs by reference to affidavits or declarations that have been previously filed.
 DATED this 18th day of April 2019.

William M. McCool Clerk of Court

s/Tomas Hernandez
Deputy Clerk